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TO AMEMBASSY LONDON IMMEDIATE
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AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV
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LONDON FOR KINSOLVING

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, UNGA, XF, MOPS

SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS IN LONDON

REF: STATE 177962

1. IF LONDON CONCURS, WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE HOWELL STOP-
OVER IN LONDON FOR ONE-DAY CONSULTATION WITH INTERESTED
EMBOFFS AND FCO AT CONCLUSION OF HIS TRIP WITH LEONARD.

2. WE REALIZE THAT HIS VISIT WOULD FALL AFTER DEPARTURE OF
KINSOLVING AND PRIOR TO ARRIVAL HIS REPLACEMENT BUT
BELIEVE HIS FIRST-HAND IMPRESSIONS OF SITUATION IN LEBANON,
INCLUDING UNIFIL OPERATIONS IN SOUTH, WOULD BE OF INTEREST
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TO APPROPRIATE FCO OFFICERS IN CONTEXT OUR CONTINUING
EXCHANGES OF VIEWS. HOWELL FAMILIAR WITH LONDON AND FCO,
AS YOU AWARE, AND WOULD REQUIRE ONLY AS MUCH INVOLVEMENT
OF EMBASSY LONDON AS EMBOFFS FELT OF BENEFIT TO THEM.

3. REGRET SHORT NOTICE AVAILABLE, BUT PREVIOUSLY POSTPONED
LEONARD TRIP NOT RESCHEDULED UNTIL JULY 13. HOWELL PLANS

ARRIVE LONDON FROM TEL AVIV JULY 27 AND WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR CONSULTATIONS FRIDAY, JULY 28. HE WILL DEPART FOR RETURN TO WASHINGTON SATURDAY, JULY 29.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ARRANGING ACCOMMODATIONS AT MAYFAIR OR SIMILARLY CONVENIENT HOTEL FOR NIGHTS OF JULY 27 AND 28. HOWELL WILL PROCEED DIRECTLY TO HOTEL AND REPORT AT EMBASSY POLITICAL SECTION MORNING JULY 28.

5. IN VIEW OF FACT HOWELL DEPARTING U.S. MONDAY, JULY 17, REQUEST YOU PROVIDE NAME OF HOTEL, EMBASSY CONTACT AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION YOU DEEM NECESSARY TO HIM BY CABLE ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE PROVIDED PARA 3, REFTEL. CHRISTOPHER

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